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KANSAS ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Webb McCall has written a song, "Stand Up for Kansas," and is looking for somebody to fit it to music.

Atchison women give Mother Hubbard parties and then wonder why the guests are able to eat so much.

Jim Gordon, a western Kansas boy, was elected state's attorney of Henderson county, Illinois, by a big majority.

Messrs. Teller, Hightower, Benoff and Ford of Arkansas City while hunting coons last week cornered nine in one tree. They secured six of these.

The Wichita schools are to be dismissed during January to save expenses. We thought licensing saloons mean plenty of money and low taxes.

Governor-elect Leedy, it is said, has since his election read over Lewelling's inaugural address and will carefully avoid following its ideas in any particular.

If the Arkansas City merchant who advertises "three quarts of kisses for a quarter" would hire some pretty girl clerks he would do a Marc Hanna business.

An Atchison girl prays every morning to be delivered from a marriage into which she feels that she is drifting, and every evening she lights a fire in the parlor and proceeds to drift in further.

There is a scheme on foot to consolidate the veterinary board, the agricultural board and the labor bureau into a single board and the secretary to draw a fair salary and be appointed by the governor.

Fred Collier's article in defense of Kansas last week ranks among the really good things that have appeared in the Kansas newspapers. It was clean and clear cut and every praise found lodgment.

County seat fights in western Kansas were a great aid to the Republican party for a while. They were so bitter that the people didn't have time to think of politics and voted the Republican ticket by general agreement that politics didn't amount to anything, anyway.

If every man in the state of Kansas will devote as much energy the next six months to the permanent improvement of something as he has the last six months to discussing politics, we will guarantee the greatest season of prosperity ever known. But the Lord knows the won't do it.

Miller of the Second congressional district is the only one of his kind in Kansas. He went to congress one term and said that he wouldn't have any more congressional life if they doubled his salary and made it a life position. A seat in congress, as a matter of fact, is a great disappointment.

The returns from Kansas appear to show that only one male citizen out of every 100 in the state over 21 years of age failed to vote at the late election. The Topeka Capital is firmly grounded in its belief that many more than that really did not vote, but that some other fellows voted for them.

Mrs. Carrie Liebigood, who submitted to an X ray test of her foot, has had to have that member amputated at the ankle as a result of the experiment. Within a few days after the test, which was conducted by Prof. Blake, of the state university at Lawrence, abscess after abscess formed, the pains finally becoming unbearable.

The shoemakers profit by the new gravel walks in the statehouse yard—nobody else. Probably 100 men and women are employed in and around the statehouse, and the sharp gravel causes no less than \$5 extra wear and tear of shoes for every person. In addition, persons who cross the grounds to get to and from Kansas avenue suffer an equal loss. Then there it the yellow mud when it rains and the clouds of sand when it blows. Kill the man who suggested gravel walks.

A man down in Labette county was telling that threadbare story about how he went east and heard Kansas abused, and said that he denied that he lived in Kansas, when some of his Labette county hearers turned in and "licked" him for not standing up for Kansas anywhere and everywhere. There are others. Who are these easterners that they should feel themselves so superior to Kansas people that they can insult them every time they go East. It is a base Kansan who will endure it without at least retorting in kind.

The various states nearly all have a "corrupt practices" act, which compels every candidate to file an itemized account of his election expenses. It causes more perjury than any law on the Kansas statute book, unless it be the prohibitory law.

It is slowly creeping in on some of the Kansas statesmen that perhaps the interests of the skilled laborer and the farmer are naturally antagonistic.

Do politicians amount to anything? And, if so, why should Jerry Botkin be ahead of his ticket?

The thermometer registered zero Saturday.

The Ottawa county jail is empty but it ought not to be.

The "cold snap" has resulted in numerous wedding notices.

Leavenworth keeps the Y. M. C. A. going and also twenty-four saloons.

The Oxford Register calls upon its farmer readers to try coffee culture.

As soon as the river freezes over the social season will begin at Chanute.

The legislature begins to make a new senator for Kansas on January 26th.

Dan Anthony's paper has the best editorials on foreign affairs in the state.

An eastern dispatch says there are in Topeka four hundred deserted wives.

Judge Bonsall of Arkansas City thinks the Arkansas can be made navigable.

Four of Uncle Dave Heffebower's six pretty daughters are married. That's different.

One of the belles of El Dorado is reputed to clean the salt cellar with a hairpin.

There will be a "recount" of the vote of Barton county which may save something.

Governor Morrill received 10,000 more votes this year than he did two years before.

An Emporia horse has sold for \$2,000. The demonetization of the horse is not yet complete.

Kepford, prohibition candidate for governor, lost his own county, Bourbon by 2,800.

The Marion Record thinks a town hall is needed, more than a constitutional convention.

The advance of prosperity has reached Oberlin where a new skating pond has been opened.

The Nile of America, the Arkansas river, drains 9,400 square miles of territory in Kansas.

Will White's "The Real Issue" is bound in yellow. Did the Chicago publishers do it a purpose?

There are 400 deserted wives in Topeka. Most of them are doubtless in luck if they only knew it.

Leedy will begin next month to point out the reasons to the people why he should be a one-term man.

Down in Labette county a man of 72 married a woman of 68. We suppose their parents made no objection.

A club has been formed at Agra known as the "Sinful Six." Respectfully referred to the paragraphs.

Marion county," says the Florence Bulletin, "has more candidates and gets less than any other county in the state."

The Wichita board of county commissioners is solidly Republican for the first time since the organization of the county.

The LaCrosse Clarion has a man scared to death by threatening to publish his record in western Kansas inside of twelve months.

The Wells-Fargo company in the Wichita division gave its employees each a turkey. One hundred Butler county birds were doled out Thanksgiving day.

Despite McKinley's election the annual autumn procession of schooners back to the wives' folks in Kansas can be seen in Oklahoma again.

A Topeka man's idea of a really hilarious time, is to buy a "possum, present it to a colored man, one of the old "down southers," and watch his appreciation.

There is a preacher in Lawrence named Testament. The only time he was ever read was when a few parishioners endeavored to read him out of the church.

A young man at Burden tried the scheme of seeing how near he could draw a sharp knife to his toes and not flinch. The result is that he is carrying his foot around in a sling.

It is strangely suspected that the Herr Richter now running for the reichstag in Germany used to live in Morris county, Kansas. At any rate, that is Harvey Fleming's guess in the Kansas City Journal.

Two tramps in a neighboring town hit upon a novel plan to get some whiskey. They went into a saloon with a gallon jug and had it filled with liquor and offered a dollar in payment. Of course the bartender refused the money and emptied the liquor back into the barrel and the tramps took the jug and departed. Later they were seen to break the jug over a stone and squeeze out over a pint of liquor from sponges which had been placed inside.

An Ellinwood young man who goes to Great Bend three times a week says it is to get his "teeth fixed," but his friends think it is to have his tongue chewed.

The Shawnee county farmers are paying their taxes in gold and silver, and the treasurer has bought an extra safe to store it in.

The Hillman case will probably be tried again this winter.

John Leedy, Jim Simpson and Jeff Hudson have rented houses in the same neighborhood in Lawrence.

Newton is to have a poultry show.

Cottonwood Falls is planning to put in city scales.

The Lawrence World makes fun of Fred Funston's claims to heady valor.

The Leoti skimming station coined \$150 worth of milk into money last month.

Judge Martin of Hutchinson denies that he will form a law partnership with Chester Long.

Friends of Governor Lewelling claim that Leedy will stand with him as against Briedenthal.

An Atchison boy who was given nine cats to drown went around and collected fifty boys to see the fun.

There are on the side of a cliff between El Dorado and Leon several mullen plants. The only ones in that part of the state.

The Great Bend girl who wants to marry a tough young man and reform him can get good value of that kind at the Reformatory.

A Lawrence church had a "show of antiquities and fossils." There are lots of them in Lawrence but most of them are good fellows.

The Topeka hotel keepers and boarding house managers are unanimously of the opinion that the state needs a constitutional convention.

The Miami Republican says that Cy Leland came nearer carrying Kansas for McKinley than any other man could have done. That is certainly true.

A man by the name of Hastie at Winfield the other night while proving that prohibition doesn't prohibit, fell clean through a plate glass window.

The chances are that if Judge Denison stays in the race he and Briedenthal will be the only fellows who will come in under the wire close enough to make the crowd yell.

Cy Leland will go down in history as the best political manager in Kansas history. The fellows who are jumping on him now can prove this to themselves if they will stop and think about it.

When the average Kansas cyclist traveling from Norman to Emporia stops off at Peabody he makes the acquaintance of the local editor and gets a write-up on the grounds that he is making a tour around the world.

The Chicago Inter-Ocean which has always been a good friend of Kansas, again comes to her defense. The Chicago Tribune has abused Kansas more than any other paper in the United States. The Chicago Times-Herald has always been fair with the state.

What has the nation got against Kansas? Grasshoppers are coming to the whole west, but we have to stand sponsor for all of them. Cyclones occur everywhere, but you can't make a man outside of Kansas believe that they take place outside of Kansas.

Grover says for all to be thankful on Nov. 26. At present our prospects for getting an appetite for turkey are far better than the prospect of getting a turkey for our appetite. But we are always hopeful. We may yet happen to have a dark night and be lucky enough to find a low roosting turkey on a neighbor's fence.

Ex-Senator John Martin is the only Kansas who in newspaper interviews starts his remarks off with "Ah." When told that the railroad had secured an order from Foster restraining him from eking possession of the Santa Fe, he said: "Ah, the railroad attorneys have been doing some more midnight work, have they?"

A man down in Cloud county voted this ticket: "Set your affections on things above and not on the things of the earth."—Col. 3:2. "For our conversation is in heaven from whence also we look for the Savior the Lord Jesus Christ."—Phil. 3:20. Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ."—Titus 2:13. The judges were undecided as to which one of the presidential candidates the man wished to vote for.

Said Governor-elect Leedy a day or two ago: "A good many of the fellows want office. Well, I won't give anything now. I will first get my family settled down in Lawrence and the children started to school and then about the first of December I will open an office here in Topeka and keep open house to everybody. I wish you newspaper men would say for me that I invite advice, suggestions and applications. Everybody who thinks he would fit an office is welcome to come and ask for it, and his claims will receive fair consideration. I will not, of course have enough to go round, but I will do the best I can, and I assure the newspapers who are telling us every day that 'now is Leedy's opportunity,' that the public service will not suffer."

The New York Evening Post and the Chicago Herald both copied editorials from Bill White on Kansas and commented favorably on them. The Herald compliments the Republicans of Kansas for their hard fight.

There is a school growing up in Kansas which is coddling the belief that Kansas owes more to her railroad than to any other agency.

The road bed of the Santa Fe between Arkansas City and Red Rock in the Strip, is being graveled.

Crushed Again.

The bloated footman stood on the threshold of the house of the wealthy entrance of the reporter at all hazards. "Is it?"

The query was asked in a tone of under-bred superiority that galled the soul of the newspaper man.

"What?"

The reporter replied with another question in ill-concealed impatience.

"Is what?"

In the midst of the turmoil brought on in the brain of the muddled mental by this embarrassing counter thrust, the reporter slipped by, and in a few minutes was chatting amiably with the railroad magnate and laying the foundation for a three-column interview in the Daily Knockout.

Hard Times in High Life.

The lip of the pauper earl curled contemptuously.

"Our pork-packing father-in-law refuses further allowances and advises economy!"

The Chicago heiress he had wedded nodded affirmatively, but held her silent.

"Now I understand"—he bit himself hoarsely—"what you Americans mean by saying: 'Things are on the swine!'"

Muttering a curse, the descendant of a hundred earls rushed out and hooked his halldome.

Feminine.

"What caused you to change your mind about Fred?"

"I heard him propose to my best friend one night when he did not know 'was near.'"

"And then you decided to reject him?"

"No, indeed. I decided to accept the offer I was holding for consideration."

All Business.



"Excuse me," said the pretty typewriter, as the merchant put his arm around her; "but I am business, and nothing else, right through."

"All right," replied the merchant, tightening up. "This is press of business."

Ruling Passion.

"Yes," said the charitable lady visitor, fustily, as she was being shown over the orphan asylum. "I should like to adopt a little boy, if you have one to spare. I suppose you have, you have so many of them. Now, there is a very pretty one, over there in the corner. How about him?"

"Oh, he is not a good little boy at all," replied the superintendent, discouragingly. "He is always getting into trouble. Why, he's been marked down twice to-day!"

"Marked down, did you say?" said the charitable lady visitor quickly, "I'll take him."

The Latest Fad.

She has fancy frills and ruffles; He has collars, coats and ties; She has slippers, gloves and raiment all to match;

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He has all the modern graces; She has playful, winning ways. They attract attention everywhere they go;

And she pricks her ears with pleasure And he wags his tail at praise— They're two little Paris poodles, don't you know.

In the Wrong Shop.

Canvasser—I have a little device here that will save you lots of time. Business Man—My dear sir, things are so quiet that I don't know what to do with the time I have. I had an hour's conversation with a book agent yesterday and I tried to get him to stay longer, but he wouldn't.

No Chance.

"I hate to think so," said the sporting man, "but I'm very much afraid pugilism has had its day."

"I'm afraid so, too," replied his companion. "Things have gotten so that people won't listen to a fight unless it's about free silver."—Washington Star.

Does Education Educate?

"Mary, I don't understand all the items on this butcher's bill. What does C. P. mean?"

"Salt pork, mum. Sure, an educated leddy like yourself ought to know that now."—New York Recorder.

Licensed to Kick.

Confidential Boarder—"What makes Scratchy so particular today? He's sent his steak back three times."

Landlady—"He paid his board yesterday; the first time in three months."—Detroit Free Press.

Not Good Folley.

McKinley—I see the Clevelanders are playing pretty good ball.

Hanna—You mustn't talk like that; you'll lose votes in Cincinnati.

HYSTERIA AND SUPERSTITION.

Thrived in the Middle Ages in Northern Europe.

Mental diseases, and especially hysteria, have, from the earliest times to the present, exercised a tremendous influence upon the current metaphysical conception of the universe and upon the whole mental development, and that precisely because they not only occurred sporadically, but, as we shall soon see, attacked the masses in the form of epidemics and so became of the highest significance and importance for the life of society as a whole, says Popular Science Monthly. Religious enthusiasm and proneness to the mystic and the occult formed, even in the highest antiquity, an important factor of those degenerate and hysterical individuals who entertained the delusion that they were in communication with good or bad spirits, and who by that channel influenced the masses not a little. A great number of the priestesses who delivered oracular responses to the Greeks "with strong quaking of their bodies" were psychopathic subjects undergoing the hysterical convulsions well known to us to-day. Hence epilepsy, which in those days was not discriminated from hysterical cramps, came to be called the morbus sacer, or sacred disease. Plutarch, in his description of the Pythian priestess, delineates the typical image of a hysterical subject who, in ecstatic convulsion, stammered unintelligible words, into which the priests injected some sense. But hysteria, with its inclination to religious enthusiasm, was not limited to separate persons. On the contrary, we meet with it a long all peoples and in all periods of history, and among all peoples we meet with it in the form of epidemic of various kinds. But never did this disease find a better or more fertile soil in which to thrive than in the middle ages of northern Europe, marked as they were by ignorance and superstition, and, accordingly, we find that epidemics of hysteria then assumed dimensions surpassing those of any similar outbursts in other centuries. A great many fine books have been written about the individual and epidemic crazes of those ages. The French have made particularly careful researches into the matter. Calmeil describes a great number of hysterical epidemics of different forms. One of the principal eruptions in Germany was demonomania, or teufelswahn. "In the year 1549," says Calmeil, "a delusion called vaudouise prevailed in Artois, that the devils carried many secretly in the night to the assemblies, where compacts were made with Satan. Without knowing how, the participants of the nocturnal meetings found themselves next morning back in their dwellings."

Italy proposes to take the sale of guineo out of the hands of the druggists and to make it a government monopoly. Druggists sell it at the rate of from \$50 to \$100 a pound, while the government gets it for the army at \$5 a pound.

The tricentenary of the introduction of the potato is to be celebrated in Britain this year, for it was in 1596, exactly three centuries ago that Sir Walter Raleigh planted the first Irish potato in his estate at Youghal, near Cork.

From the time of Julius Caesar to that of Constantine the Great the popular name for a Roman emperor was Caesar; after the reign of Constantine the sobriquet in the eastern empire was Constantine.

Several prudent young ladies in Atchison, Kan., have formed a society, and each has solemnly pledged herself not to marry a man whose salary is less than her own.

A labor exchange in Coquille, Ore., is to operate a tannery, a soap factory, a cannery and a laundry, and divide the profits among the employees.

There is one consolation connected with the idiots who fall from balloons. They don't bore people with their stories of how it happened.

It is reported in Antelope county, Cal., that fully \$1,000,000 worth of gold was shipped from Mojave from August 16 to 21.

WORTH KNOWING.

To salute with the left hand deadly insult to Mohammedans east.

The brain of an idiot contains less phosphorus than that of a p of average mental powers.

William C. Usery, M. D., of St. L says that the best food for those suffering from typhoid fever is the banana.

In Mexico the mescal plant attains such an enormous size that one of them has sufficed for the making of a barrel of whisky.

Destitute Englishmen abroad can demand to be sent home. They apply to their consul, who gives notice accordingly to captains of ships about to sail.

Ludwig Barnay has given the 1,700 marks he received for his performance at the German embassy in Moscow during the coronation festivities to the relief fund for German actors and actresses.

The Chesapeake & Ohio railway has had plans under way for several months for the erection of a new station and terminal facilities in Richmond, Va., on which it designs to spend \$2,000,000.

The average price of Canadian horses sold in London for some time has rarely been above \$125, a price which, freight and all expenses considered, is said to yield a satisfactory margin of profit.

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Portugal intends to celebrate the quadra-centennial in commemoration of the four hundredth anniversary of the expedition which set out on July 8, 1490, under the command of Vasco di Gama for the discovery of a route to India around the Cape of Good Hope.

A league for the elimination of foreign words from the French language has been formed in Paris. It is not likely to be more successful than the German association to turn the French element out of German has been in translating the bill of fare.

The Siamese, as a class, are not over ambitious in trade, and the greater part of the small retail establishments and various kinds of shops are in the hands of the Chinese. The latter also furnish the labor of the country.

Commerce employs 6,000,000 Germans.

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